



January 29, 2021

Dear Residents and Families,

Greetings to you all. We have made significant progress this week in our fight against COVID, but continue to experience the devastating effects COVID can have on our vulnerable population. I am truly thankful for the hope that this will soon be behind us. It is a blessing that we are able to receive the vaccine on our campus and begin the process of healing.

Our vaccination clinics have been very successful with well over 400 vaccines provided to residents and coworkers to date. CVS Pharmacy will be providing additional vaccination clinics on February 14 and March 7, 2021 for our residents and coworkers. Vaccine information and registration materials for our independent living residents are available at our Southview reception area.

I share with you below a brief update of COVID activity for each level of care on our campus.

Health Care Center

Springfield:

Our Springfield unit continues to be free of COVID. Residents are enjoying a variety of activities, the return of salon services and socially distanced dining. Limited scheduled visits in our designated areas will resume.

Countryside:

I am pleased to report that the 5 residents who had previously tested positive have recovered and currently there are no new cases in residents or coworkers. On Sunday, January 31, 2021, we will resume socially distanced dining and activities for the residents. Salon services will also resume next week.

Waterside Personal Care:

I am happy to report that 5 of the 7 residents who had tested positive for COVID have recovered and the remaining 2 are doing well and are anticipated to recover on Monday. There have been no new cases in residents or coworkers. On Wednesday, February 3, 2021, we will resume normal operations.

Assisted Lifestyle

On January 18, 2021, four of our Assisted Lifestyle residents tested positive for COVID-19. Upon learning this, they were moved to our designated COVID unit to receive care. Three of these residents are recovering and doing well. Sadly, one resident succumbed to the devastating effects of this virus and passed away this morning. I ask for your prayers as the family and our coworkers share the burden of this loss.

On Monday, February 1, 2021, our precautionary isolation for Assisted Lifestyle residents will be lifted as we have successfully completed 14 days of testing with no new positive cases. Socially distanced dining and activities will resume in addition to scheduled coffee shop visits for families.

Independent Living

Recently six of our Independent Living residents tested positive for COVID-19. Four residents are being cared for on our designated COVID unit and 1 has been admitted to the hospital for advanced care. I am very sad to share that one resident lost the battle with COVID and passed away this morning. I ask for your prayers for the family and our coworkers who are grieving the loss of this member of our Homewood family.

Please join me in praying for our community as we move toward a brighter future and are able to put the hardships of COVID behind us.

God bless you all.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Defibaugh".

Lisa Defibaugh, Executive Director